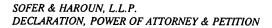
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TYPE OF DECLARATION

[X] Utility [] Design [] Supplemental [] Divisional [] Continuation [] Continuation-in-part [] National Stage of the PCT					
INVENTORSHIP AND SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION					
My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled:					
"RETRACTABLE STRAW FOR DRINKING CONTAINERS"					
as described and claimed in the specification which [X] is attached hereto. [] was filed on [] as U.S. Serial Number. ; or [] Express Mail No (as serial number not yet known); and [] was amended on [] was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/ / filed on; and as amended under PCT Article 19 and/or 34 on					
REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR					
I have reviewed and understand the contents of the attached specification including the drawing and claims as amended by any amendment referred to below; and I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a); and					
[] in compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement.					



Prior Foreign Application(s)



I hereby claim **foreign priority** benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign applications for patent applications for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Ye	ar/Filed)	Yes	No
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I hereby claim the benefit below and, insofar as the States Application in the acknowledge the duty to § 1.56(a) which occurred date of this application.	e subject matter o manner provided disclose material	f each of the claim by the first paraging information as def	s of this application is no raph of Title 35, United 3 fined in Title 37, Code of	t disclose States Coof Federal	d in the prior United le, § 112, I Regulations,
(Application Serial No.)	(Filing	Date)	(Status: Patented, Pend	ing, Abar	ndoned)

DECLARATION

I declare that all statements made above of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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I hereby appoint the following patent attorneys and/or patent agent(s) with full power of appointment, substitution and revocation to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments thereto, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected therewith.

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PETITION

Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the above-mentioned specification and claims, and I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing Declaration, Power of Attorney & Petition with references to the above-identified specification and claims.

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Inventor's Signature:		Date:	